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Dear Dr. Bray:

I am sorry that I was unable to get in touch with you in Washington and that my current commitments, which will require me to be traveling throughout July and the first part of August, make it unlikely that I will be able to contribute anything useful by the deadline mentioned in your letter. I am sorry that I did not hear about the project earlier, since I would have been pleased to have a chance to contribute.

If, despite all your forceful indications of intent, there should be a major slippege in your schedule, and if by the middle of August you have still found no one to cover this subject, it might be possible to reconsider this decision, but I would definitely not be able to start anything on this until them.

Sincerely yours,

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